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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" பிரிவினைக்கு முன்னால் மாயவரத்தில் மாஜிஸ்டிரேட் கோர்ட்டு தாலூகா ஆபீஸ் கட்டிடத்தில் இருந்து வந்தது. பிரிவினைக்குப் பிறகு தாலூகா ஆபீசிற்கு இந்தக் கட்டடம் பூராவும் வேண்டுமென்று சொன்னதால், இந்தக் கட்டிடத்தை ரெவின்யூ டிபார்ட்மெண்டுக்கு கொடுக்கப்பட்டு விட்டது. சப்டிவிஷனல் மாஜிஸ்டிரேட் கோர்ட்டிற்கு வேண்டிய ஒரு நல்ல கட்டிடத்தை நிறுவ பிரயத்தனங்கள் நடந்துகொண்டிருக்கின்றன."

SRI C. MUTHIA PILLAI :—" ரெவின்யூ கோர்ட் தாலூகா ஆபீசில் நடப்பதாலும், ஸ்ரீ சுயம்பிரகாசம் அவர்கள் அங்கே போய் ஆஜர் ஆவதாலும், அந்தக் கட்டிடம் தாலூகா ஆபீசுக்கே அவசியமென்பதை கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் உணருவார்களா ?" (சிரிப்பு.)

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" அந்தக் காரணத்தினால்தான் அங்கே ரெவின்யூ கோர்ட்டு நடந்து கொண்டிருக்கிறது. ஸ்ரீ சுயம்பிரகாசம் இந்தக் கோர்ட்டுக்கு முன்னால் ஆஜராக வேண்டியிருப்பதினால், அந்தக் கட்டிடத்தை ரெவின்யூ டிபார்ட்மெண்டு எடுத்துக்கொள்ளவேண்டுமென்று கனம் அங்கத்தினர் எடுத்துக் காட்டுகிறார்கள்." (சிரிப்பு.)

SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" ரெவின்யூ ஹெட்குவார்ட்டர்ஸ் மாயவரம் அல்ல என்பதையும், கும்பகோணம்தான் என்பதையும் கனம் அங்கத்தினருக்கு எடுத்துச் சொல்ல விரும்புகிறேன். ஒரு நாளோ அல்லது இரண்டு நாட்களோ அவர் அங்கே போயிருக்கலாம். மாயவரத்தில் ரெவின்யூ கோர்ட்டு கிடையாது. அதற்கு அங்கே அவசியமில்லை என்பதை கனம் அங்கத்தினர் உணருவாரா ?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" கனம் அங்கத்தினர்கள் ஸ்ரீ முத்தையா பிள்ளையும், ஸ்ரீ சுயம்பிரகாசமும் தனியாக உட்கார்ந்து ஒரு முடிவுக்கு வருவார்களேயானால், அந்த முடிவை ஏற்றுக்கொள்வதுபற்றி அரசாங்கம் யோசிக்கும்." (சிரிப்பு.)

South Malabar District Agricultural office

* 997 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to shift the South Malabar District Agricultural office from Shoranur ; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) The Government have accepted a proposal made by the Director of Agriculture to shift the office of the District Agricultural Officer, South Malabar, from Shoranur to Kozhikode.

" (*b*) Shoranur is not now occupying a central position in the district geographically, so far as the Agricultural Department is concerned. It is a small town with very limited building accommodation. It has no sub-treasury and workshop facilities for repairs of jeeps, lorries, etc. It is 65 miles away from Kozhikode, the district headquarters, and it is not therefore, possible now for the District Agricultural Officer, South Malabar, to be in touch with the Collector and other district officers concerned as often as this is necessary in the interests of the departmental activities."

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Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, the reasons given by the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture would have been very cogent if there was only one District Agricultural Office. Does not the Hon. Minister know that Kozhikode is the northernmost end of the South Malabar district? Shoranur is almost in the centre of South Malabar and this office has been functioning there without trouble for a long time. May I know whether this office has been shifted more to suit the urban amenities of the officers of the department than to serve public interest?"

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, the very reasonable amenities that would be required and expected by the officers also have to be taken into consideration. But, here in Shoranur, no accommodation is available even for locating the office. There was a rickety building in which the office had all along been located and when we wanted to secure better accommodation, the owners of houses wanted to take advantage of this and exploit the situation. They wanted high rent and also wanted the Government to commit themselves for a number of years. Further, I would also like to point out to the hon. Member that even judicial district headquarters are located at Tellicherry and Kozhikode and taking everything into consideration, the Government considered that Kozhikode would be the best district headquarters for the Agricultural Department so far as the southern area is concerned."

Dr. K. B. MENON :—" Sir, may I assure the Hon. Minister that suitable accommodation can be guaranteed without any higgling about rent and provided, of course, a reasonable time guarantee is given by the Government, a building according to specifications will be provided. Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture please remember that Kozhikode is outside the territory of the District Agricultural Officer for the southern region and that Shoranur is the most central place? Considering the fact that Agricultural Officers should be in contact with the farmers and peasants, will the Government reconsider their decision and keep the office in Shoranur itself?"

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I remember the hon. Member himself addressing me a note wherein certain conditions were required to be agreed to by the Government for securing better accommodation like committing the Government to a number of years' tenancy and all that. Apart from this, I may tell the hon. Member that if the District Agricultural Officer's Office is shifted to Kozhikode that firka is also transferred to the southern division. Also, the ryots who have other work do go to the district headquarters and they will have better facilities to contact the District Agricultural Officers if their offices are in Kozhikode than elsewhere. Further, I may assure the hon. Member that the demonstrator's office and depot will be located for the benefit of this taluk at Shoranur and the ryots could take full advantage of them."

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SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" If the Government want a better building and the officers more amenities, why not they shift the headquarters to Palghat which is a lesser evil of the two? " 9–20 a.m.

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The Government considered that also. But, on the whole, they thought that Kozhikode would be a better place."

Sengipatti Tuberculosis Sanatorium

* 998 *Q.*—SRI K. R. SAMBANDAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Government have under consideration any proposal to take over the management of the Sengipatti Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Tanjore?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" No, Sir."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" May I know whether the Government propose to give any subsidy to the Sengipatti Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Tanjore? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Building grants and maintenance grants are being given to almost all private sanatoria provided they fulfil the conditions for such contributions from the Government.

Regarding Sengipatti Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Tanjore, the hon. Member may put a separate question."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Are non-gazetted officers allowed free treatment in this Sengipatti Tuberculosis Sanatorium? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" This has got nothing to do with the main question."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" This Sengipatti Tuberculosis Sanatorium was started only in 1952. Even during this very short period, the sanatorium has acquired a high reputation as one of the foremost institutions in this State. With its limited resources, it is able to provide 40 free beds for poor patients. If the Government are not willing to take up the management, will it at least come forward with grants to provide for these 40 free beds? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The administration of the sanatorium is being carried on by a board of trustees and the Collector is the ex-officio Chairman of the board of trustees. Whatever help is needed for making up the net deficit will be paid."

SATYAMEVA JAYATE TRUTH ALONE TRIUMPHS